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4 DAYS HIKING ON AUVERGNE VOLCANOES - 3 NIGHTS IN HOTEL

Self guided trip : 4 days / 3 nights

4 days in a self guided hike in Auvergne. In the evening, you will **enjoy the comfort of overnight stays in hotels** or guest rooms. In the heart of the Regional Natural Park of the Volcanoes of Auvergne, take time to share with your family or with your friends, real authentic moments. Go and discover this fabulous area. Your walking days will be both easy and fun, in harmony with this preserved land. Great to fill-up your energy in this land of contrasts.

ITINERARY

DAY 1: PESSADE-ORCIVAL

Overnight in hotel or guest house / Hiking time : 3:30 / 9 km / Elevation : +100 m / - 400 m

Before your hike, remember to leave your luggages at the hotel Orcival this first day because this transfert is not included in the price (wayback by car, 15 minutes).

You will start your hike from the car park of the "Centre de pleine Nature de Pessade". For Information, Clermont-Ferrand / Pessade = 30km. Hike to Lake Servières, a pretty little crater lake a few thousand years old, followed by a gentle descent with beautiful scenery to reach the Orcival village.

Dinner and overnight at the hotel or in bed and breakfast.

DAY 2: ORCIVAL - LASCHAMPS

Overnight in hotel or guest house / Hiking time : 5 hrs / 15.5 km / Elevation : + 455 m / - 350 m

Bucolic day between pastures and small mountain hamlets. This stage will take you to the heart of the Chaîne des Puys to the village of Laschamps, passing by the Twin Puys of "La Vache" and "Lassolas", among the youngest cones of this slice of more than 80 volcanoes Night in a hotel room in Laschamps, under the benevolent gaze of the giant Domes.

DAY 3: LASCHAMPS - AYDAT LAKE (OR LA CASSIÈRE LAKE)

Overnight in hotel or guest house / Hiking time : 3 to 4 h / 7,6 to 12 km / Elevation : + 100 m / - 220 m

Departure from your place to join by the "Cheires" (lava flow) Aydat Lake, or La Cassière Lake.

Possibility of swimming (in the protected bathing area).

Night in a hotel room at Lake Aydat or Lake La Cassière.

DAY 4: AYDAT LAKE (OR LA CASSIÈRE LAKE) - PESSADE

Hiking time : 4 to 5 / 1,5 to 15,5 km / Elevation : + 400 m / - 75 m

On your last day of hiking, you will go up to the village of Pessade, through the Narse d'Espinasse, a real little jewel and relic of the ice age.

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Disclaimer

The journey can be changed for reasons of safety, weather or unforeseen circumstances. Events beyond our control may change the course: change of accommodation (if the chosen accommodation is full at time of booking), cut roads, rivers in flood, strikes, local festivals ... "Aluna Travel" will always make every effort to provide the best solution, even changing the course.

LEVEL

RUNNING TIME OR ACTIVITY

4 to 5 hours per day

CONSECUTIVE DAYS OF ACTIVITIES

4 days of activities, suitable for families with children.

ELEVATION / ALTITUDE / TERRAIN

Little vertical drop on easy terrain

CARRYING DURING THE HIKE

All you have to do is carry your small backpacks with personal belongings of the day as well as your picnics. Your travel bags (or suitcases) will be transported by taxi Day 2 and Day 3. **On the first day, you will have to drop off your luggages in Orcival before the first hike. On the last day you will have to pick up your luggages from the last hotel at the end of the last hike.**

CLIMATIC ENVIRONMENT

Mountain climate pleasant to interseason and hot in summer. Evenings can be cool.

ENGAGEMENT FOR YOUR HIKE

Easy trip accessible to anyone in good health from 6 years.

EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

No specific experience, walk regularly and have the pleasure of the effort.

DATES & PRICES

ALL YEAR ROUND.

Price for 1 adult (single room) :

With luggage transport : 655 €/pers

Without luggage transport : 530 €/pers

Price for 2 people in a double room (from 12 years old) :

With luggage transport : 435 €/pers

Without luggage transport : 370 €/pers

Price for 3 people in the same room (from 12 years old) :

With luggage transport : 385 €/pers

Without luggage transport : 340 €/pers

Price for 4 and 5 people (from 12 years old) :

With luggage transport : 370 €/pers

Without luggage transport : 340 €/pers

Price for 6, 7 and 8 people (from 12 years old) :

With luggage transport : 365 €/pers

Without luggage transport : 335 €/pers

- Child under 12 years old in a family room: reduction of €100 on the above rate.
- Single room with a supplement of 110 €/pers.

If you arrive the day before, possibility of spending an additional night with half board at the hotel :

- Half-board adult or teenager from 12 years old in a double or family room = 82 €/pers
- Half-board child under 12 years old in parents' room = 42 €/child

During summer time, you can spend the night in Finnish kota or caravan in Pessade :

- Night in kota for adult : 25 €/night
- Night in kota for Child under 12 years : 20 €/night

Provide a comfort sleeping bag +5° for the night or as an option: duvet KIT which is €6 extra per person (which includes a duvet with cover + a bath towel and a hand towel per person). Shared toilets.

Possibility to order catering meals : You must add to these costs, a package of 24 €/delivery.

- Evening meal + breakfast : 30 €/adult and 21 €/child under 12
- Dinner / Breakfast / Lunch box, delivered to kota : 39 €/adult and 27 €/child under 12
- Overnight Half board with dinner and breakfast : 54 €/adult and 39 €/child under 12 years
- Night in full board with 3 meals : 63 €/adult and 46 €/child under 12 years

OUR PRICE INCLUDES

MEALS

Full board from Day 1 dinner to Day 4 lunch.

TRANSPORTATION

Your travel bags (or suitcases) will be transported by taxi Day 2 and Day 3.

On the first day, you will have to drop off your luggage in Orcival before the first hike.

On the last day you will have to pick up your luggage from the last hotel at the end of the last hike.

EQUIPMENT

Maps and road book for logistical information but also for naturalist and cultural information.

ACCOMMODATION

Hotel or guest room

NOTRE PRIX NE COMPREND PAS

MEALS

Drinks and personal extras fees.

Meals not mentioned above.

TRANSPORTATION

Travel to the meeting place.

In any case, luggage transportation is not included on the first or last day.

VARIOUS

Entrance fees, to sites and museums are not included in the program.

INSURANCE

Insurance cancellation, luggage, interruption of stay and assistance-repatriation : 4.90% of the price of your trip.

REGISTRATION FEES

- 30 days or more before departure : 12 €/pers
- Less than 30 days before departure : 20 €/pers
- For any tailor-made trip : 30 € + 12 €/pers

PRACTICAL INFO

ARRIVAL

Public transportation : In order to limit your CO2 emissions, we encourage you to use public transport to get to Clermont-Fd train or bus station.

From Clermont train station to Pessade, about € 70/taxi ride on weekdays and about € 100/taxi ride on Sundays and public holidays.

For information, transport to / from Clermont-Fd - Pessade (60 km A / R).

By car : 30 km (40 mn) from Clermont-ferrand. Take the N89 in the direction of Mont Dore, then at the Ventouse pass, turn left (dir Besse) then 500 m further on the right on the D5. At Zanière, turn right until Pessade.

(See [Openstreet Map](#))

ACCOMMODATION

3 nights in hotel ** or in bed and breakfast.

Your room will be available from 5 pm and must be vacated by 10 am.

FOOD

You will have breakfast at the hotel and at the lodge. The pack lunch will be transported by your donkey. Evening meals are served in the hotel's restaurant and at the lodge.

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

A small backpack containing

ESSENTIAL

- Plate compass
- Enough water
- Masks and hydroalcoholic gel

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

- A hat or cap
- A pair of sunglasses
- A rain cape or a K-Way windbreaker or better a Gore-Tex jacket
- Toilet paper
- Small personal first aid kit (aspirin, plaster, elastoplast, ...)
- Tupperware with cutlery for picnics

- Plastic bags to wrap business in bad weather

FOR YOUR EVENING LUGGAGE

For donkey transportation : only soft bags (no suitcase). Donkeys can carry altogether 40 kgs maximum.

For taxi transportation : only 1 bag/pers (max weight 12 kg/pers).

- Spare clothes
- Fleece fur
- Toiletry bag
- Swimsuit with bath towel for possible swimming

TO PUT ON YOUR SHOES

- Pair of light walking shoes, preferably already used, or, for sensitive feet, a good pair of reinforced tennis shoes.
- Another pair of shoes for the evening